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#### <u>National Grange</u> <u>Convention in Stowe,</u> <u>Vermont</u>

William (Billy) Greer will be attending the National Convention as a Junior Ambassador Candidate.

Congratulations to Ruth Wilson who will be representing Colorado at the Evening of Excellence in Vermont as our Talent representative.

Maple Grove Grange's Community Service report will be at National.

Marlys Halbeisen's Photo will be competing at the National convention.

Marvel Junior Grange will have a community Service Entry at the National Convention.

Marvel Grange will be receiving it's third year Distinguished Grange Award.

The Colorado State Grange will be recognized for the first time as a Distinguished Grange.

## COSG Master's Newsletter

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## Leadership Conference

🧇 When: Saturday, December 1

### Time: 10:00 a.m.

Where: Maple Grove Grange Hall, 3130 Youngfield, Wheat Ridge

# Who should participate: Every Grange member is welcome to participate.

What to Expect:

• General overview for all members on MISSION of the Grange – Each Department, State Lecturer, and State Secretary will present information about their department that every Grange member needs to know.

Break-out sessions for:

- 1. Lecturer 2.Family & Women's Activities
- 3. Membership, Community Service/Communication
- 4. Secretary Round-up closing and evaluation

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**RESOLUTIONS PASSED at State Session** 

#### Initiative 97 Setback requirements for oil and gas development

Resolved that Colorado State Grange opposes ballot item #112, and be it further Resolved that Colorado State Grange encourages a "NO" vote on ballot item #112.

Round Table Format For Grange Meetings – the format will is included in this newsletter. Any Grange who chooses to utilize the format is requested to inform the State Master and to provide comments on the format.

The National Representative was excited to see this type of format being tried out as many Granges are turning to the round table format.

This format is a pilot project, if successful we will present it to National for consideration. We truly hope that many will utilize it and let us know how it went.

#### NATIONAL GRANGE FOUNDATION

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Cindy Greer has Raffle Tickets to Benefit National Grange Foundation available. They are \$5.00 each and the prizes are A Garden path Queen Quilt, Spiderweb Star Table Runner and a hand-painted patriotic saw. Drawing is 11/16 at the National Convention. The winner need not be present. If interested send your donation and I'll be happy to fill out the stue(s) **Must** be received before November 11.

#### Amendment 74

Resolved that Colorado State Grange opposes Amendment 74, and be it further

Resolved that Colorado State Grange encourages a "NO" vote by electors on amendment 74.

#### **Recognizing Opioid Abuse**

.Resolved, that, as Colorado State Grange recognizes the opioid abuse crisis, we encourage all Granges within the state to join any local efforts to educate their individual communities.

#### **Colorado State Grange Scholarships**

Resolved that the Colorado State Grange Scholarship and Leadership Foundation consider awarding scholarships to qualified Colorado Grange students who wish to attend a trade school or community college, and be it further

Resolved that the Colorado State Grange Scholarship and Leadership Foundation consider awarding scholarships to qualified Colorado Grange students who wish to attend out of state institutions.

#### CSG Executive committee quorum

**RESOLVED** that the Colorado State Grange constitution be amended as follows: A quorum shall consist of any two voting members **and** the State Master or State Overseer. At a scheduled meeting if the State Master is unable to be present the Overseer shall assume the responsibilities all members of the Executive Committee shall be notified of any regular or special meetings.

#### **Colorado State session Quorum**

**RESOLVED** that the Colorado State Grange Constitution be amended to read as follows in **ARTICLE V** – **Quorum.** The representatives of a minimum of eight (8) active Subordinate and Pomona Granges shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and be it further

Resolved that when a Quorum is not reached, the requirement for a quorum may be suspended by a vote of the delegates present with the approval of three Executive Committee members.

#### **Bicycle Safety on Rural Roads**

Resolved, that Colorado State Grange requests CDOT to do a cost analyses of providing bicycle lanes that are legal for bicycles to travel and be it further

Resolved, that Local Granges lobby their respective counties and cities to provide bike lanes to make traveling more safe on rural and city roads in their areas.

#### **Round Table Format for Grange meetings**

Resolved that the Colorado State Grange continue to encourage Granges to use the Ritual format and be it further

Resolved that the Colorado State Grange adopt the following Grange Round Table format as a pilot project. (See attached.)